



## INVESTIGATOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

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<b>Reporting Year:</b> 2008	<b>Park:</b> Shenandoah NP	<b>Select the type of permit this report addresses:</b> Scientific Study	
<b>Name of principal investigator or responsible official:</b> John Skelly		<b>Office Phone:</b> 540 854-7099	
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<b>Additional investigators or key field assistants (first name, last name, office phone, office email)</b> No co-investigators			
<b>Project Title (maximum 300 characters):</b> Collection of Chestnut Blight specimens			
<b>Park-assigned Study or Activity #:</b> SHEN-00345	<b>Park-assigned Permit #:</b> SHEN-2007-SCI-0016	<b>Permit Start Date:</b> Sep 01, 2007	<b>Permit Expiration Date:</b> Aug 31, 2008
<b>Scientific Study Starting Date:</b> Sep 01, 2007		<b>Estimated Scientific Study Ending Date:</b> Aug 31, 2008	
<b>For either a Scientific Study or a Science Education Activity, the status is:</b>  Continuing		<b>For a Scientific Study that is completed, please check each of the following that applies:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> A final report has been provided to the park or will be provided to the park within the next two years  <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of field notes, data files, photos, or other study records, as agreed, have been provided to the park  <input type="checkbox"/> All collected and retained specimens have been cataloged into the NPS catalog system and NPS has processed loan agreements as needed	
<b>Activity Type:</b> Education			
<b>Subject/Discipline:</b> Plant Communities (Vegetation)			

<b>Purpose of Scientific Study or Science Education Activity during the reporting year (maximum 4000 characters):</b> Specimens of typical blight cankers and fungal fruiting bodies will be used for educational purposes...lectures to nearby garden and botanical clubs, service organizations, and science fair projects within elementary and high school classes.
<b>Findings and status of Scientific Study or accomplishments of Science Education Activity during the reporting year (maximum 4000 characters):</b> Collected specimens remain intact within a storage cabinet at investigators home office. Collection of additional fresh specimens will be requested in early 2009 for presentations to be made in February, 2009 to the Belmont Ruritan Club and the Fredericksburg, VA garden Club.
<b>For Scientific Studies (not Science Education Activities), were any specimens collected and removed from the park but not destroyed during analysis?</b> Yes <b>If "Yes", identify where the specimens currently are stored:</b>

Collected specimens remain intact within a storage cabinet at investigators home office. Deteriorated specimens will be burned within home fireplace.

**Funding specifically used in this park this reporting year that was provided by NPS (enter dollar amount):**  
\$0

**Funding specifically used in this park this reporting year that was provided by all other sources (enter dollar amount):**  
\$0

**List any other U.S. Government Agencies supporting this study or activity and the funding each provided this reporting year:**

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